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SUBJECT: NIGHT REACH

1. THE CANADIAN FORCES UN ALCE ARRIVED ON STATION AT CAIRO ON 10 NOV 1973. IT CONSISTS OF APPROXIMATELY 11 OFFICERS AND 32 ENLISTED PERSONNEL. EQUIPMENT INCLUDES A 25K LOADER WHICH PROVIDES MARRIED PALLET HANDLING CAPABILITY. ALCE IS OPERATIONAL AND WILL OPERATE AROUND THE CLOCK. ALCE HAS OPERATIONS AND TRAFFIC (3 LOAD TEAMS) AND WILL PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR ALL UN AIRLIFT.

2. CANADIANS ARE PRESENTLY POSITIONING THEIR UN FORCES WITH 53 C-130 MISSIONS AND 9 BOEING MISSIONS. FLOW WAS TO COMMENCE AT 0030Z ON 11 NOV AND OPERATE AT A 4-HOUR INTERVAL.

3. CANADIAN UN FORCES COMMANDER BRIG. NICHOLSON, CANADIAN AIR ATTACHE COL. STUART OLSON, COL. DEANE BRUNING USAF AND
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LT. COL. ALLEN LEGART CF UN DETACHMENT MET WITH CAIRO AIRPORT

DIRECTOR SHINNAWI AND EGYPTIAN AIRPORT SECURITY CHIEF COL. SHUKRI ON MORNING OF 10 NOVEMBER TO WORK OUT FOLLOW ON AIRLIFT SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS. MOOD WAS COOPERATIVE AND RESULTED IN FIRM ESTABLISHMENT OF UN OPERATIONS ON THE AIRFIELD. UN HAS BEEN GIVEN MAJORITY OF THE SOUTHWEST RAMP FOR EXCLUSIVE USE WHICH IS CAPABLE OF PARKING AT LEAST FOUR C-130/C-141 SIMULTANEOUSLY. AREA ADJACENT TO THE RAMP WAS PROVIDED TO STORE MHE AND OTHER EQUIPMENT PLUS OPERATIONAL TENT. ADDITIONALLY A ROOM NUMBER 109 IN THE MAIN TERMINAL BUILDING WAS MADE AVAILABLE FOR EXCLUSIVE UN AIRPORT OPERATIONS COMPLETE WITH FURNITURE AND PHONE.

FUEL, POWER CARTS AND OTHER AIRCRAFT SERVICING EQUIPMENT ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FOR ROUND THE CLOCK OPERATIONS. SECURITY IS GOOD AND IS PROVIDED BY ARMED POLICE, AND IN ADDITION THE SOUTHWEST RAMP IS REMOTE FROM FLOW OF NON-UN TRAFFIC PROVIDING ADDITIONAL PROTECTION. NORMAL DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE REQUESTS ARE STILL IN EFFECT HOWEVER IT IS BELIEVED THAT AIRCRAFT IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT, CAN BE THE UN MISSION NUMBER VICE AIRCRAFT TAIL NUMBER WHICH WOULD GREATLY EASE THE BURDEN OF OBTAINING NEW CLEARANCE IN EVENT OF AIRCRAFT SWAPS FOR MAINTENANCE OR OTHER REASONS. THIS WILL BE CONFIRMED.

4. DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCES MUST BE REQUESTED AT LEAST 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE FOR COORDINATION WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY, ARTC AND EGYPTIAN MILITARY. HOWEVER, IF ENTIRE FLOW PLAN IS PROVIDED, E.G., AIRCRAFT MISSION NUMBER, ESTIMATED FIR ENTRY POINT AND TIME AND CAIRO ETA, ENTIRE FLOW COULD BE CLEARED AT ONE TIME. EGYPTIANS RECOGNIZE THAT DELAYS OCCUR AND WILL NOT HOLD FLOW TO ABSOLUTE SCHEDULE.

5. AIRCREWS SHOULD FILE BOTH A AND B FLIGHT PLANS. THIS HAS BEEN MOST EFFECTIVE TO DATE AND ELIMINATES REQUIREMENT FOR ANY CREW MEMBERS TO LEAVE VICINITY OF THEIR AIRCRAFT.

6. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, I AM RETURNING TWO ENLISTED 435TH ALCE MEMBERS VIA CANADIAN FORCES AIRCRAFT ON 11 NOVEMBER. THEY WILL ARRIVE LAHR FRG ON MISSION C-130/UN-6803 APPROXIMATELY 1830Z. REQUEST 435TH MASWG ARRANGE FOR ONWARD TRANSPORTATION TO THEIR MAIN. BALANCE OF 435TH ALCE WILL REDEPLOY ON EITHER 12 OR 13 NOVEMBER IN SIMILAR MANEUVER. WILL ADVISE WHEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FIRM DEPARTURE IS KNOWN.

7. WE BELIEVE CANADIAN ALCE CAN AND WILL HANDLE USUN MISSIONS. IF HOWEVER, USUN FLOW GOES BEYOND FIVE OR SIX MISSIONS PER DAY, WE MAY WISH TO OFFER ASSISTANCE IN EQUIPMENT OR PERSONNEL. EILTS

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